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SUBJECT: FY 76 COMMERCIAL BUDGET PACKAGE

REF: A. KABUL 3620, B. STATE 149596

1. DESPITE DIFFICULTY ESTABLISHING "NORMAL" WORKLOAD AND BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS ON BASIS FY 74 COSTS, POST CAN GIVE IMPRESSIONISTIC ESTIMATE OF FUNDS NEEDED IN FY 76 TO CARRY ON COMMERCIAL PROGRAM, SUBJECT TO CAVEATS GIVEN REFTEL A.

2. A. NO NEW POSITIONS, LOCAL OR AMERICAN, ARE CON-TEMPLATED IN FY 76.

B. COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATION: THIS CATEGORY COULD INCREASE BY 30 PER CENT OVER FY 74 FIGURES, GIVEN A FULL-COMPLE-MENT E/C SECTION, AND ASSUMING A CONTINUED FREEDOM OF COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY. FY 76; \$1,218.75.

C. LIBRARIES. AS COSTS OF PUBLICATIONS INCREASE, ASSUME A 10 PER CENT ANNUAL INCREASE IN PUBLICATIONS PROCUREMENT. FY 76: \$357.92. OTHER COSTS FOR LIBRARY SPACE SHOULD INCREASE ONLY AS A FUNCTION OF OVERALL BUILDING MAINTENANCE COSTS. NO EXPANSION CURRENTLY PLANNED FOR COMMERCIAL LIBRARY, UNLESS PENDING STATE/COMMERCE COMMERCIAL LIBRARY PROGRAM RECOMMENDS EXPANSION.

D. TRAVEL. THIS SHOULD ALSO INCREASE BY APPROXI-MATELY 30 PER CENT WITH A FULL STAFF, ASSUMING FREEDOM TO TRAVEL. FY 76: \$953.33

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E. CONTRACT SERVICES. THIS HAS NOT BEEN USED IN

KABUL IN PAST; NO CURRENT PLANS UTILIZE CONTRACT
SERVICES FY 76.

F. NEWSLETTER. NO EXPECTATION SIGNIFICANT INCREASE
OVER FY 74 EXCEPT INsofar AS COST OF PAPER AND PRINTING
INCREASES.
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